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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT UNDER CFR.1.56 and CFR 1.97(d)**

The Commissioner of Patents
& Trademarks
Washington, D.C.
U.S.A. 20231

Dear Sir:

Re: United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/240,619
For: WATER PURIFIER DISPENSER CONTROL
Filed: February 1, 1999
Art Unit No.: 1724
Applicant: Conrad et al.

This Information Disclosure Statement is pursuant to provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.17(d). The Examiner is advised, pursuant to provisions of 1.97(e) that each item of the information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart for an application not more than three months prior to filing of this statement. In particular, the information was cited in the International Search Report of the corresponding PCT application which was mailed on June 20, 2000 and received on June 28, 2000.

Pursuant to the provisions of 1.97(d)(2), the applicant hereby submits a Petition requesting consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement at this time.

Pursuant to the provisions of 1.97(d)(3), the applicant encloses herewith cheque number 0981 in the amount of \$130.00 for the requisite petition fee. Should any further fees be required, please charge account No. 02-2095 or credit any refund to the deposit account.

Accordingly, the applicant submits that the Information Disclosure Statement is properly considered at this time.


(A) List of references

A list of the patents and other publications of which the applicant is aware is set out in the attached PTO Form 1449 which is attached hereto.

(B) Copies of References

The applicant has attached hereto a copy of each of the references referred to in PTO Form 1449.

Respectfully submitted,



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